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General Assembly

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Substitute Senate Bill No. 915

Senate, March 20, 2003

The Committee on Energy and Technology reported through SEN. PETERS of the 20th Dist., Chairperson of the Committee on the part of the Senate, that the substitute bill ought to pass.

AN ACT CONCERNING AN ENERGY CONSERVATION STUDY.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

1 Section 1. (*Effective from passage*) The Institute for Sustainable Energy 2 at Eastern Connecticut State University shall, within available resources, conduct a study, in consultation with the Energy 4 Conservation Management Board, that examines different means to 5 encourage end users of electricity to conserve electricity, including, but 6 not limited to, the use of enhanced time-of-day metering or seasonal 7 rates. Not later than January 1, 2004, the institute shall report, in 8 accordance with the provisions of section 11-4a of the general statutes, 9 on its findings and recommendations to the joint standing committee 10 of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to 11 energy.

This act shall take effect as follows:		
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The following fiscal impact statement and bill analysis are prepared for the benefit of members of the General Assembly, solely for the purpose of information, summarization, and explanation, and do not represent the intent of the General Assembly or either House thereof for any purpose:

OFA Fiscal Note

State Impact:

Agency Affected	Fund-Type	FY 04 \$	FY 05 \$
Consumer Counsel; Public Utility	CC&PUCF - None	None	None
Control, Dept.			
CT State Univ.	GF - Cost	Potential	Potential

Note: CC&PUCF=Consumer Counsel and Public Utility Control Fund; GF=General Fund

Municipal Impact: None

Explanation

The bill requires the Institute of Sustainable Energy (ISE) at Eastern Connecticut State University to conduct a study that examines different means to encourage end users of electricity to conserve electricity. This would require the acquisition of consultants to perform tasks outside of the expertise of the institute. Since the bill specifies that the proposed study is to be done within available resources, the cost of the program, if implemented, would have to be funded through a diversion of resources from other programs.

Representatives of the Office of Consumer Counsel and the Department of Public Utility Control serve on the Energy Conservation Management Board. ISE is to conduct the aforementioned study in consultation with this board. There is no fiscal impact associated with this provision of the bill.

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OLR Bill Analysis

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AN ACT CONCERNING AN ELECTRIC RESTRUCTURING AND AN ENERGY CONSERVATION STUDY.

SUMMARY:

The Office of Legislative Research does not analyze Special Acts.

COMMITTEE ACTION

Energy and Technology Committee

Joint Favorable Substitute Yea 11 Nay 0

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